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Rail Projects in Bihar
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rail projects proposed in the country during the last three years and the current year including UP, Bihar and Jharkhand States;

(b) the district-wise number of rail projects completed and currently in progress in the country including UP, Bihar and Jharkhand;

(c) whether the Government has set any deadline to complete the work of doubling and tripling of rail line; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): Proposals/representations both formal and informal for Railway Projects are received from State Governments, Ministries of Central Government, Elected representatives, organizations/road users etc. by Railways at various levels including Railway Board, Zonal Railways, Division Office etc. As receipt of such complaints/suggestions is a continuous and dynamic process, centralized compendium of such requests is not maintained. During the last three years and the current year i.e. 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18, 197 of projects were included in the Railway Budget. Break-up for the States of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand is as under:-

State(s) Total no. of projects
Uttar Pradesh 51
Bihar 11
Jharkhand 12

(b): As railway projects straddle over more than one State, District-wise data are not maintained. As on 01.04.2016, there are 458 ongoing projects in the country that includes 65 projects in Uttar Pradesh, 31 projects in Jharkhand and 52 projects in Bihar.

(c) & (d): No, Madam. Execution of every railway project does face impediments like acquisition of land, statutory clearances like forestry and wild life clearances, shifting of services, cutting of trees, construction of road over bridges and road under bridges by road maintaining agencies, availability of funds, etc. As several of these clearances and assistance from other departments are beyond the control of Railways, it will not be feasible to fix time lines for completion of all the projects.

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